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For: IMPROVED DRILLING FLUIDS

Examiner: C. R. Richard

**AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated November 7, 2006, please enter the following amendments and consider the remarks which follow.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.